# **Argali Hunting Fact Sheet**

**Gobi Argali** - One of the largest argalis, with horns similar to those of an Altai argali, being nearly as massive but a little shorter. Upper parts are variegated yellowish-brown; the flanks and front of thighs are more uniform with a brown center line, the belly whitish, and the muzzle, sides of face and upper throat a grizzled grayish brown. This subspecies doe not grow a neck ruff. **Rifle SCI Bronze 160"**, **Silver 183 4/8"** and **Gold** 

**196 3/8**".

Altay Argali - The largest wild sheep in

the world, with the largest and most massive horns. The horns have rounded frontal edges, are heavily corrugated, and when fully developed will form more than a complete circle. The longest horns of record measured 71 3/4 inches. Bases exceeding 22 inches have been recorded. Horns and skull, without the lower jaw can weigh as much as 75 pounds. General color in winter is light brown tinged with gray. Rump patch, belly, lower legs and face are white. Simmer coat is much shorter and lighter, with the upper parts a uniformly speckled brown and white, and the run patch only slightly

lighter than the back. This subspecies does not grow a neck ruff. Rifle SCI Bronze 210", Silver 222 7/8" and Gold 235 5/8".

Marco Polo Argali - A large, long legged, light-boned argali with the most spectacular horns of all the world's sheep. The summer coat is a light, speckled brown, with the face, chest, underparts, rump patch and legs white. In winter, the upper parts are somewhat darker brown and there is a full white neck ruff extending to the brisket. The winter hair is much longer, making the animal appear larger and heavier than it is. The long, slender horns are homonymous, forming 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 open spirals, and triangular in cross section with a sharp orbital-nuchal edge. The longest sheep horn ever recorded was 75 inches a Marco Polo; however the largest circumference for this race is only 17 inches, with 14 to 15 1/2 usual. Horns and skull will weigh only about 25 pounds, the horns' slimness mak-



ing them seem longer than they actually are. Rifle SCI Bronze 180", Silver 197", and Gold 207 7/8".



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**Severtzov Argali** - The smallest argali. Shoulder height for a male is 34-38 inches, with females being smaller. Their winter coat is dark brown above, slightly paler on the neck, and grayish brown on flanks and tail. The head is darker then the neck. Rump patch, belly and muzzle are white. Lower legs are dirty white except for dark reddish-brown stripes on the fronts. The white neck ruff is short (one inch) and tinged with gray. No saddle

patch or bib. Horns are homonymous and strongly corrugated. The record horns were taken by explor--naturalist Douglas Carruthers in

1908 and are now part of the International Collection of Heads and Horns. **Rifle SCI Gold 93 1/8**".

**Tian Shan Argali** - It is said to be similar to the Marco Polo, but its horns have a tighter curl and are generally thicker. The winter coat was described by Severtzov as having light brown upper parts that lighten gradually to the diffuse, grayish-brown rump patch. The yel-



lowish-white belly is separated from the flanks by a wide dark line. A dark dorsal line runs from shoulders to loins. Neck mane is white, shaded with grayish-brown. The record head was reported as picked up in 1921 in the valley of the Yuldaz, a small stream flowing northward into the Lli River in Kyrgyzstan. Its longest horn measured  $70-3/4 \times 15-1/2$  inches, which was much larger than any other karelini of record. **Rifle SCI Bronze** 





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Link's Wild Safaris has certified outfitters in Asia prepared to assist you with your Argali Hunting Needs.

### **Mongolia**

Gobi Argali - \$65,000, Hangai Argali - \$75,000 and Altai Argali - \$95,000

## Kyrgyzstan

Marco Polo Argali - \$28,750, Tian-Shan Argali - \$28,750, Hume Argali - \$28,750

### **Tajikistan**

Marco Polo Argali - \$39,900

### **Uzbekistan**

Severtzov Argali - \$78,000

#### Other Species Available Upon Request Include:

Gansu Argali, Kara Tay Argali, Karaganda Argali, Kuruktag Argali, Lilledale Argali, Northern China Argali, Sair Argali and Tebetan Argali







ID	Species Name 🛦	Continent	Bronze Minimum	Silver Minimum	Gold Minimum	Bronze (Bow) Minimum	Silver (Bow) Minimum	Gold (Bow) Minimum	Book Entries
A50	Altay Argali	Asia	210"	222 7/8"	235 5/8"	0"	0"	0"	187
A126	Gansu Argali	Asia	0"	0"	167 1/8"	0"	0"	0"	20
<u>A51</u>	Gobi Argali	Asia	160"	183 4/8"	196 3/8"	0"	0"	178 2/8"	301
A131	Hangay Argali	Asia	173"	201 1/8"	218 2/8"	0"	0"	165 6/8"	114
A189	Kara Tau Argali	Asia	0"	0"	0"	0"	0"	0"	0
A101	Karaganda Argali	Asia	164"	152"	179"	0"	0"	0*	25
A211	Kuruktag Argali	Asia	0"	0"	142"	0"	0"	0"	2
A109	Littledale Argali	Asia	0"	0"	148 5/8"	0"	0"	0"	13
A54	Marco Polo Argali	Asia	180"	197"	207 7/8"	0"	0"	181"	368
A227	Northern China Argali	Asia	0"	0"	152 4/8"	0"	0"	0"	1
A103	Sair Argali	Asia	0"	0"	150 7/8"	0"	0"	0"	17
A88	Severtzov Argali	Asia	0"	0"	93 1/8"	0"	0"	0"	17
A86	Tian Shan Argali	Asia	159"	179 2/8"	190 6/8"	0"	0"	168 5/8"	60
A49	Tibetan Argali	Asia	0"	0*	165 1/8"	0"	0"	0"	3



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